

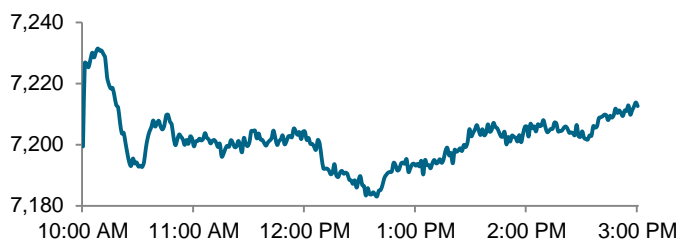
DAILY MARKETS OVERVIEW

السعودي الفرنسي كابيتال
Saudi Fransi Capital
تميز في الخدمة، تفوق في الأداء



DECEMBER 21, 2017

TASI Intraday



Source: Reuters

Saudi Stock Indices

Index	Last Close	1 Day %	WTD %	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Saudi (TASI)	7,213	0.2	1.9	0.0	16.9
Saudi (NOMU)	3,094	-0.1	1.1	NA	NA
Energy	4,234	0.7	3.4	-14.9	15.0
Materials	5,009	0.2	2.5	0.5	20.5
Capital Goods	4,385	0.9	2.3	-12.1	15.1
Com. & Prof. Svc	4,058	-0.5	1.1	-19.6	18.5
Transportation	4,004	0.7	3.3	-21.5	15.4
Cons. Durables & Apparel	4,098	0.6	0.5	-11.8	NA
Consumer Services	3,761	3.5	3.6	-22.2	12.2
Media	7,840	-1.2	2.2	53.1	NA
Retailing	5,601	0.6	1.1	14.1	18.4
Food & Staples Retailing	5,487	0.6	0.2	8.6	24.4
Food & Beverages	5,012	-0.6	0.4	2.2	43.6
Health Care Equipment	4,537	1.5	2.9	-9.6	24.4
Pharma, Biotech & Life Science	3,938	0.0	1.5	-26.8	9.8
Banks	5,475	0.1	2.5	7.7	11.2
Diversified Financials	4,002	2.8	3.7	-19.7	NA
Insurance	4,704	0.1	0.7	-4.3	16.7
Telecommunication	4,244	0.1	0.7	-15.2	14.2
Utilities	4,713	-0.5	0.0	-3.0	9.3
REITs	4,567	-0.5	0.4	-8.7	NA
Real Estate	4,711	0.5	0.5	-6.1	NA

Sources: Bloomberg, Reuters, Tadawul

Top 5 Gainers

Company	Last Close	% Change	Value (SAR mn)
Saudi Vitrified Clay Pipes Co.	57.70	10.0%	20.2
Altayyar Travel Group	27.77	6.0%	214.9
National Medical Care Co.	44.17	4.2%	38.2
United International Transportation Co.	27.71	3.8%	11.3
Saudi Advanced Industries Co.	13.39	3.1%	26.1

Source: Tadawul

Upcoming General Assembly Meetings

Company	Proposed Date
Alujain Corp.	21-Dec-17
Emaar The Economic City	21-Dec-17
Southern Province Cement Co.	21-Dec-17
Saudi Airlines Catering Co.	21-Dec-17
Mobile Telecommunication Company Saudi Arabia	21-Dec-17
Saudi Company for Hardware	24-Dec-17

Source: Tadawul

NOTES: (1) Prices as of last trade. Updated as of December 21, 2017
(2) WTD: Week to Date and YTD: Year to Date

Saudi Market Update

- The TASI gained 0.2% to close at 7,213 on Wednesday. The NOMU ended 0.1% lower at 3,094. TASI traded value totaled SAR 3.6bn and averaged SAR 3.9bn over the last 30 days. The five most active stocks (by value) in TASI accounted for 43.2% of the daily traded value.
- Banks and Materials ended 0.1% and 0.2% higher respectively. Telecom closed 0.1% higher. Consumer Services (up 3.5%) was the best performer. Among stocks, Saudi Vitrified Clay Pipes Co. (2360/SVCP AB), Altayyar Travel Group (1810/ALTAYYAR AB), and National Medical Care Co. (4005/CARE AB) led gainers.
- Saudi Arabia is extending its timeline for the lifting of energy subsidies; the subsidy removal is part of plans to make the country use energy more efficiently. Subsidies would be lifted gradually so that fuel prices would be comparable to international levels between 2018 and 2025 (previous timeline: until 2020). (Source: Zawya)
- The Ministry of Economy expects the unemployment rate among Saudis to fall to 12.0% in 2018 compared with 12.8% in 2Q17. The decline would be supported by economic growth, implementation of expat fees, and replacement programs. (Source: Argam)
- The Minister of Finance announced that no change would be made to fees imposed on expatriate dependents. The government imposed a monthly fee of SAR 100 per expat dependent since July 2017 and planned to increase it by SAR100 every year until 2020 as reported earlier. (Source: Argam)
- National Industrialization Co. (2060/NIC AB) invited shareholders to attend a general assembly on December 31 to vote on the deal set to take place between National Titanium Dioxide Ltd., a 79% subsidiary of the former, and Tronox Ltd (TROX US). (Source: Argam)
- Saudi Electricity Co. (5110/SECO AB) would apply 5% value-added tax on electricity bills, the receipt's value, and the fees for the company's services. (Source: Mubasher)
- According to Saudi Industrial Export Co.'s (4140/SIECO AB) statement to the Tadawul, it signed a memorandum of understanding with United Chemical Company to export its products and represent the company outside Saudi Arabia. (Source: Mubasher)
- The BoD of Saudi International Petrochemical Co. (2310/SIPCHEM AB) recommended a cash dividend of SAR 0.50 per share for 2017. This implies a full-year yield of 2.9%. (Source: Tadawul)

Top 5 Losers

Company	Last Close	% Change	Value (SAR mn)
Saudi Ceramic Co.	27.37	-2.6%	10.4
The Qassim Cement Co.	44.52	-2.0%	3.1
Etihad Atheeb Telecommunication Co.	7.50	-2.0%	5.6
Yanbu Cement Co.	31.30	-1.8%	12.9
Bank Albilad	20.29	-1.6%	8.6

Most Active Stocks by Value (SAR mn)

Company	Last Close	% Change	Value (SAR mn)
Dar Alarkan Real Estate Development Co.	13.07	1.7%	461
Saudi Basic Industries Corp.	102.24	0.4%	348
Alinma Bank	19.17	-0.6%	342
Altayyar Travel Group	27.77	6.0%	215
Saudi Kayan Petrochemical Co.	10.85	0.2%	209

Source: Tadawul

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GCC Stock Indices

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Dubai (DFM)	3,370	0.3	0.4	-4.6	21.3
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	4,359	-0.2	0.5	-4.1	15.6
Kuwait (KSE)	6,384	-0.6	0.8	11.1	15.4
Qatar (QE)	8,520	0.0	3.8	-18.4	13.8
Oman (MSM)	5,070	0.0	0.2	-12.3	12.2
Bahrain (BSE)	1,265	-0.3	0.0	3.7	7.5
DJMENA Index	520	0.1	1.3	0.1	NA

Source: Bloomberg, Reuters

Global Stock Indices

Index	Last Close	1 Day %	WTD %	YTD %	PE (TTM)
US (S&P 500)	2,679	-0.1	0.1	19.7	22.5
US (NASDAQ 100)	6,961	0.0	0.4	29.3	23.5
UK (FTSE 100)	7,525	-0.3	0.5	5.4	22.5
Germany (DAX)	13,069	-1.1	-0.3	14.1	19.2
France (CAC 40)	5,353	-0.6	0.1	10.1	18.4
Russia (MICEX)	2,103	-0.7	-1.9	-4.7	7.1
Japan (Nikkei)	22,892	0.1	1.5	19.6	19.6
Hong Kong (HSI)	29,234	-0.1	1.3	32.9	13.7
South Korea (KOSPI)	2,472	-0.2	-0.4	22.0	10.2
China (SHCOMP)	3,288	-0.3	0.7	5.9	16.7
India (NIFTY)	10,444	-0.2	1.1	27.6	23.6
Brazil (IBOV)	73,367	0.9	1.0	21.8	18.2
Turkey (BIST 100)	1,10,455	0.3	1.0	41.4	9.6
Egypt (EGX30)	14,682	0.0	0.0	18.9	9.3
MSCI Emerging Markets	1,133	0.1	1.3	31.4	15.6
MSCI World	2,095	0.0	0.5	19.7	21.4

Source: Bloomberg, Reuters

Commodities Prices

Index	Last Close	1 Day %	WTD %	YTD %	1 Year %
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	64.6	1.2	2.1	13.6	17.6
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	2.6	-2.0	1.0	-30.2	-27.8
Gold (\$/oz)	1,266	0.3	0.8	9.8	11.2
Silver (\$/oz)	16.2	0.3	0.7	1.7	1.4
Platinum (\$/oz)	919	0.6	2.8	1.7	0.4
Copper (\$/t)	6,998	1.3	2.1	26.7	27.5
Zinc (\$/t)	3,208	0.5	0.1	25.4	23.9
Lead (\$/mt)	2,543	-0.6	1.3	28.1	16.4
Wheat (\$/bu)	424	1.0	1.3	-11.4	-10.6
Corn (\$/bu)	349	0.5	0.5	-10.2	-11.0
Sugar (\$/lb)	14.6	1.1	6.7	-21.6	-18.8

Source: Bloomberg

Interest Rate Watch (3M Interbank Offer Rate, %)

Country	Last Close	1 Day Change	YTD Change	Spread*
US	1.64	0.00	0.64	0.00
Saudi Arabia	1.90	0.00	-0.14	0.26
UAE	1.71	-0.02	0.23	0.07
Kuwait	1.75	0.00	0.31	0.11
Qatar	2.67	0.00	0.89	1.03
Bahrain	2.73	0.00	0.63	1.08

Source: Reuters

NOTES: (1) Prices updated as of December 21, 2017 (2) WTD: Week to Date; YTD: Year to Date; NA: Not Applicable, *Spread = US 3M Rate – Country 3M Rate

GCC & Global Markets Update

- US markets ended in red on Wednesday. The S&P 500 ended 0.1% lower while NASDAQ ended flat. Dow Jones Industrial closed 0.1% lower. In Europe, the UK closed 0.3% lower while Germany and France declined 1.1% and 0.6% respectively.
- Asian markets are trading mixed on Thursday. China is up by 0.5% while Japan is down by 0.1%. South Korea is down by 1.4% while Hong Kong is up by 0.5%. India is trading flat.
- GCC markets ended mixed on Wednesday. Dubai ended 0.3% higher while Abu Dhabi ended 0.2% lower. Kuwait declined 0.6% while Qatar ended flat. Oman closed flat while Bahrain declined 0.3%.
- According to the US EIA Petroleum status report, crude oil inventories declined by 6.5mn barrels for the week ended December 15. (Source: Econoday)
- According to the International Air Transport Association, Middle East passenger numbers are projected to rise by 7% Y/Y, and passenger capacity to grow 4.9% Y/Y in 2018. The airlines are also expected to double the net profits to USD 600mn in 2018. (Source: Zawya)
- The UAE's Federal National Council (FNR) passed an AED 51.4bn (USD 14bn) federal budget for 2018. Out of which, 51% would be allocated to social development programs, 43% for government affairs and remaining to the Ministry of Infrastructure Development. (Source: Mubasher)
- The Hong Kong Trade Development Council revealed total imports by the UAE from Hong Kong reached USD 13.2bn (AED 48.5bn) in the first 10 months of 2017. (Source: Trade Arabia)
- UAE-based Emirates Global Aluminum signed a long-term supply agreement with Shaheen Chem Investments for the construction of a chemical complex in Khalifa Industrial Zone Abu Dhabi (Kizad). (Source: Gulf Base)
- MEED reported Dubai-based Majid Al Futtaim invited bids to construct the City Center Al Jazira shopping mall, a joint venture between Al Jazira Sports and Cultural Club and Majid Al Futtaim. The mall would be built at a cost of AED 1.4bn (USD 381mn). (Source: Mubasher)
- According to Warba Bank's (WARBANK KK) bourse statement, the bank issued USD 400mn (KWD 122mn) in sukuk on behalf of Emirates REIT (REIT DU). (Source: Mubasher)
- Boursa Kuwait announced it suspended trading in the shares of Kuwait Remal Real Estate Co (REMAL KK) as the company did not comment on the unusual transactions. (Source: Mubasher)
- According to Aldar Properties' (ALDAR UH) statement to Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange, the company took over International Tower at a value of AED 658mn (USD 179mn). This acquisition would boost the company's asset management strategy which aims to increase the net operating income. (Source: Mubasher)
- Al Ahli Bank of Kuwait's (ABK KK) long-term foreign currency rating has been affirmed at "A+" by Fitch Ratings with a "Stable" outlook. (Source: Mubasher)

Coming Up

- US jobless claims for the week ended December 16 (prior: 225K; consensus: 234K) will be announced today. (Source: Econoday)
- Change in US Real GDP for 3Q17 (prior: 3.3% Q/Q) will be announced today. (Source: Econoday)
- US EIA Petroleum status report on weekly change in crude oil inventories for the week ended December 22 (prior: -6.5mn barrels) will be announced on December 28. (Source: Econoday)

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